

Carpenter Renamed Director, In 3-2 Vote

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COLLEGE, PARK ANNEX SCHEME DIES QUIETLY

Death Warrant Of Annexation Move Signed

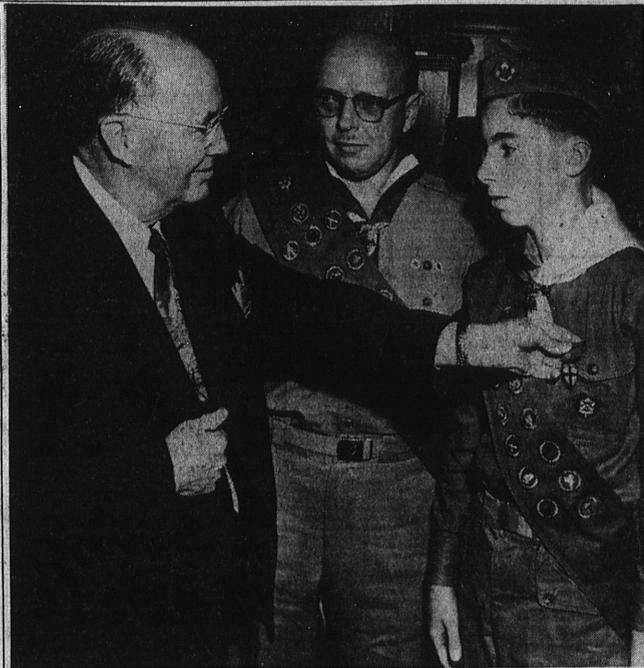
The move to annex Alondra Park and El Camino College was pronounced DOA—Dead on Arrival at 8:35 p.m. Tuesday night in the City Council chambers.

The chambers were silent as the bill passed away quietly as the four attending councilmen realized there was no hope for the bill. The death warrant was signed by Earl Lloyd, specialist in such matters. He told the Council in a letter that he and other members of a fact-finding commission had probed deep for facts. The commission described ailments pointed out by County Supervisor Raymond V. Darby and El Camino College President Forrest Murdock.

It was these ailments which proved fatal for the annexation move. The last rites, the supervisor's and president's letters, were administered by acting city clerk Irving J. Hallanger who also read a resolution from the Board of Directors of the college.

Sitting quietly in the family room mourning the death of the proposed bill were Councilmen Nick Drale and Victor Benstead who fathered the bill.

Mayor Mervin Schwab ordered the bill's death warrant entombed with the city archives.



SCOUT HONORED . . . Boy Scout Don Kelley here receives the God and Country Award, one of Scouting's most treasured honors, from Rev. C. M. Northrup, pastor of the First Baptist Church, as Scoutmaster Harry Marshall looks on. The award was presented in church ceremonies last Sunday.

Worker Escapes Possible Death In Acid Tank

Escaping possible death early yesterday when he fell into a vat of sulphuric acid while at work was a night turn foreman at the Rome Cable Co.

Burned severely on the left hip and leg by the acid was 26-year-old Charles E. Northcutt, of 15914 Menlo Ave., an employee of Rome Cable here for more than four years.

Rushed to Harbor General Hospital for emergency treatment, the young supervisor was transferred to Torrance Memorial Hospital yesterday where his injuries were described as first, second, and third degree burns.

Mrs. Northcutt said yesterday that she was told her husband would probably be hospitalized for three or four days, and would then be confined to his home for several weeks.

Adult Center To Be Ready In Six Weeks

Restoration of the Adult Recreation Center recently gutted by a midnight fire is to be completed within six weeks, according to contractor's estimates.

Damage to the building and furnishings in the fire of Jan. 27 amounted to \$7670.89, the city manager reported to the City Council Tuesday night.

Eight Hoodlums Ambush Youth, Sheriff Probes Gang Attacks

Investigation of a gang beating which sent a 20-year-old Torrance youth to the hospital

with serious injuries over the weekend was being continued yesterday by sheriff's deputies. Beaten when eight other youths accosted him at Eshel-

man and Lomita Bldvs. in Lomita was Hoyte D. Patton, of 1420 Beech Ave. Patton told deputies he was driving behind his brother's car before the beating took place.

His brother pulled over to the roadside and stopped, so, according to the victim, he did likewise. He then saw eight youths alight from a nearby car and approach.

In a battle-royal which followed, Patton was knocked down and kicked repeatedly about the head and shoulders.

Patton was taken to Harbor General Hospital for emergency treatment after his brother escaped and called deputies. He was later transferred to the San Pedro Community Hospital following a prolonged illness.

Long active in civic affairs, she was a member of the Palos Verdes Women's Club and the Women's Guild of the Neighborhood Church.

She is survived by her husband, LaVerne N. Gill, superintendent of the local American Standard plant; a son, Phillip Clay, 21; and a daughter, Marlon Jane, 15.

Final rites will be held at the Chapel of the Chimes, Inglewood Park Cemetery, tomorrow afternoon at 2, Rev. Dawson of the Palos Verdes Neighborhood Church will officiate. The rites will be directed by Stone and Myers Mortuary.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that remembrances be sent in her name to the Palos Verdes Neighborhood Church.

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Councilman Gets Out of Sick Bed To Swing Ballot

Leaving a sick bed and with a 103 degree fever, Councilman Willys Blount appeared at the Torrance Council meeting Tuesday night only long enough to cast his vote for the reappointment of Frank Carpenter as Director of Recreation.

3-2 VOTE CAST
The councilman, confined to bed since Sunday, left immediately after a 3-2 vote was taken.



FRANK CARPENTER . . . Director Reappointed

His appointment was opposed by Councilmen Nick Drale and Victor Benstead.

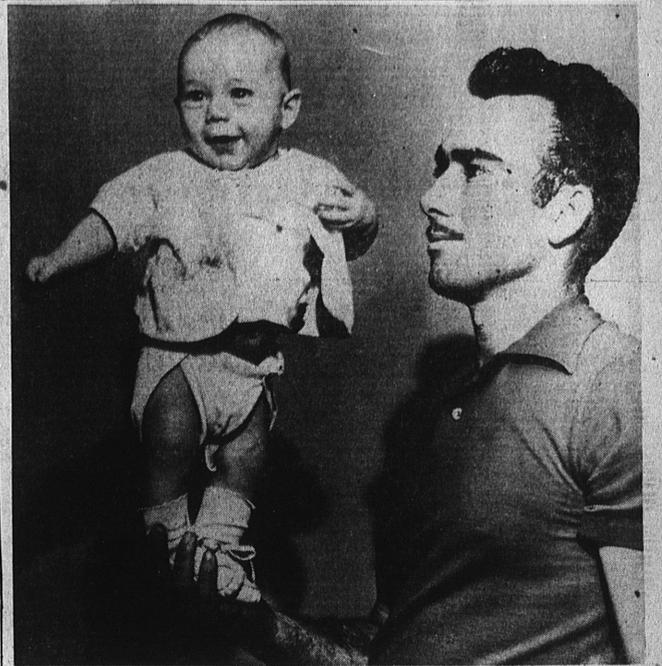
At an earlier Council meeting the matter of Carpenter's reappointment was ducked at 22 when Mayor Mervin Schwab declined to vote until the two factions reached some sort of an agreement. The mayor cast his vote in favor of Carpenter Tuesday night when it developed that the only other eligible applicant for the job informed the council he no longer was a candidate for the position.

ONLY TWO CANDIDATES
Of six men who took the examination only two passed—Harry B. Van Bellehem and Carpenter, in that order.

Carpenter came to Torrance in April of 1950 from the City of Burbank where he served as assistant recreation director. On Tuesday of this week he was elected to the Board of Directors representing the Ninth District of the California Recreation Society now in conference sessions in Long Beach.

COMMISSION CHALLENGED
Carpenter's reappointment followed the reading of a letter from the Chairman of the Recreation Commission, Darwin Parrish, urging the council to re-name Carpenter as director of recreation.

Taking exception to this was Councilman Benstead who stated: "I think the Recreation Commission is out of order in making such a recommendation. Their only job is to bring about good recreation for children."



LOOK, DADDY, NO HANDS . . . Little Stevie Hendricks, who suddenly at 3 1/2 months decided he'd been sitting long enough, just raised himself and stood alone. Here he shows how he now, at 4 months, can stand on Daddy Ralph's hand.

Health Survey Prompts Sewer Bond Action

Acting on a recommendation of the County Health Officer, the City Council Tuesday night ordered the preparation of a bond issue to finance the installation of sewers in a portion of Hollywood Riviera.

The area, known as Hollywood Riviera District No. 1, revised, was surveyed by the health agency recently. The survey showed both a need and a desire among residents for the sewer project. Dr. Roy Gilbert, health officer, reported that only four homeowners of 80 residents reported they already had experienced trouble with their present sewage disposal systems.

A large number of cave-ins and seepage of sand into cesspools in the area prompted the health department survey.

More than 44 per cent of the residents reported they already had experienced trouble with their present sewage disposal systems.

Head of Prison To Talk Here

The author of the non-fiction novel, "Prisoners Are People," Vernon J. Scudder, will be the guest speaker at the joint service club meeting to be held on March 30 in the American Legion Hall.

Scudder will describe some of his experiences while serving as superintendent of the California Institute for Men at Chino.

Tot of Four Months Can Stand Alone

By ADRIENNE SIDWELL
If Samson were still alive today he might have competition from four-month-old Stephen Christopher Hendricks, who is known around his neighborhood as "Strongboy Steve."

Steve, who was born Oct. 3 last year, already can stand unassisted in the palm of his father, Ralph.

Hendricks and his wife, Shirley, who live at 1941 W. 259th St., Harbor City, were amazed while playing with their baby boy, little Steve, when suddenly he

tensed his muscles and stood alone in his father's hand.

This happened first on Feb. 1. He has been gleefully astonishing admirers with this herculean feat ever since.

Tiny Steve, who was born Oct. 3, is only 24 inches tall, and weighs 16 pounds.

His greatest admirers are an older sister, Cheryl, 6; and a two-year-old brother, Mike.

The father is an employee of the A. K. Wilson Lumber Co. in Compton.

Motorist Puts Horn Tooters To Work Again

Stewart Cook, 608 Portola Ave., lifted the trunk of his auto the other day and exclaimed:

"Well, I'll be hornswoggled."

And he had a reason to be. Nestled there in the trunk was \$600 worth of musical instruments he had never seen before.

Cook found out that the instruments were those reported lost last week when members of the Torrance Area Youth Band mistook his car for one similar to that of a bandsman's parent. The instruments were piled into the trunk of the auto as the band prepared to attend a program in Wilmington.

The instruments were returned this week to Band Director James Van Dyke.

Rumpus Room is Built Illegally Says Commission

Court action is to be taken against Mrs. Eva Smith, who erected a rumpus room on the rear of her property in violation of two city ordinances, according to action taken by the Torrance City Council Tuesday.

City Attorney James M. Hall was instructed to take what legal action was necessary to prosecute Mrs. Smith for violation of the Land Use Ordinance and for failing to obtain proper building permits.

According to a letter from the Planning Commission Mrs. Smith is alleged to have erected a rumpus room but subsequently used the room in which to expand her home-operated beauty shop business.

Henry Ulbright, Kiwanis Legion of Honor, Dies

Scores of fellow Kiwanians business associates and prominent Torrance citizens yesterday paid tribute to one of this community's well-known personalities, Henry Frank Ulbright, who died Feb. 8 in a Los Angeles hospital. He was 56.

The list of active and honorary pallbearers for the former owner of the Automatic Printing Co. here, read as though it were a leaf from "Who's Who of Torrance."

"Hank" to Many
Known to many simply as "Hank," he was extremely active in the Torrance Kiwanis Club and was one of two members of the Legion of Honor of Kiwanis International awarded for 25 years of consecutive and continuous services as a member of the Kiwanis organization. He was a charter member of the local service club and served as its president in 1922.

He was also a member of the Bert S. Crossland Post of the American Legion, having served with the U. S. Navy during World War I.

Mr. Ulbright was born in Gridley, Ill., on Oct. 10, 1896. He came here in 1924.



"HANK" ULBRIGHT . . . Honored by Many

offset printing. At the time of his death he owned the large printing plant located at 1316 Cabrillo Ave.

Entombed
A brother Kiwanian, Rev. Paul Wenske, pastor of the First Lutheran Church of which Mr. Ulbright was a member, officiated at the services. Following the last rites given in the chapel of Stone and Myers Mortuary he was committed to entombment in Angelus Abbey Mausoleum in Compton.

Surviving the long-active Torrance citizen are his widow, Lillian, of 1434 El Prado; a daughter, Mrs. Dolores Lillian Campbell, of 923 Patronella Ave.; a grandson, Craig; two sisters, Mrs. Dorothy Westerbelt, of Benton Harbor, Mich.; and Mrs. Grace DeGeus, of Menche, Mich.; two brothers, Ralph of Benton Harbor and Gene of Lebanon, Ill.

Pallbearers Named
The pallbearers included Joe Klink, Wallace Post, Byron Scotton, Dave Soule, Bob Deinger, and George Probert.

Serving as honorary pallbearers were Sam Levy, C. T. Rippey, L. F. Dalton, J. W. McMillan, Dr. J. H. Hall, Dean L. Sears, was one of the earliest printers Grover C. Whyte, Dr. R. F. Blahop and Dr. A. P. Stevenson.